

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

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To provide a ~~A~~ hydrogen absorbing alloy having a BCC (body-centered cubic structure) as a crystal structure, and particularly a hydrogen-absorbing alloy for a nickel-hydride cell having excellent discharge capacity and durability (cycle characteristics), ~~said~~ the hydrogen-absorbing alloy having a composition expressed by the general formula $Ti_{(100-a-b-c-d)}Cr_aV_bNi_cX_d$, where X is at least one member selected from the group consisting of Y (yttrium), lanthanoids, Pd and Pt, and each of a, b, c and d is represented, in terms of ~~at %~~ atomic %, by the relations $8 \leq a \leq 50$, $0.30 < b \leq 30.60$, $5 \leq c \leq 15$, $2 \leq d \leq 10$ and $40 \leq a + b + c + d \leq 90.90$, ~~wherein the crystal structure of a principal phase is a body-centered cubic structure, and further, the alloy contains at least one of Mo and W in place of V and at least one member selected from the group consisting of Y (yttrium), lanthanoids, Pd and Pt, and its crystal structure is converted to the body-centered cubic structure by heat-treatment.~~